Attack on Churches in Tamil Nadu

2188. SHRI N. THALAVAI SUNDARAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been serious attacks on Churches in Tamil Nadu during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action being taken by Government in the matter; and

(d) the number of persons arrested in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRYOF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (d) The Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the house.

Distance of BSF Border Posts in Assam

2189. DR. (SHRIMATI) JOYASREE GOSWAMI MAHANTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the average distance of Border Security Force (BSF) border posts in Dhabri, Karimganj and Cachar sectors of Assam;

(b) what is the average distance of such posts in other areas of Indo-Bangladesh border and Indo-Pakistan border; and

(c) how many persons have been detected as foreigners by the BSF posts on Bangladesh border in Assam segment, since deployment of BSF in the border?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) The average approximate distance between the border outposts of Border Security Force in Dhabri, Karimganj and Cachar is as follows:—

Dhabri	3.80 kms
Karimganj	2.83 kms
Cachar	2.55 kms

(b) While the distance between the border outposts of the Border Security Force on Indo-Bangladesh border is 5.6 kms. the average distance between BSF border outposts on Indo-Pak border is 3.8 kms.

(c) As per available information, 2474 foreigners have been detected by the Border Security Force in the Assam segment of Indo-Bangladesh border since 1990.